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In re application of:

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Examiner: GUY TUCKER

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AMENDMENT

Honorable Commissioner of Patents  
and Trademarks  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Responsive to the communication from the Examiner in charge of  
the above-identified application mailed 26 February 1997 (Paper No.  
2) please amend as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 11, line 25, change "Figure 3" to read -- Figure 3A --;  
and

Page 12, line 1, change "Figure 3A" to read -- Figure 3B --.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 14, 15, 17, 19, 20, 22, 24-26, 29, and 30

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